



“Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.” — Mt 5:11-12a

Example from the Lectionary for Mass (2002), 198, 1910 CCD

NOVEMBER 1, 2020
ALL SAINT'S DAY

VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
CATHOLIC CHURCH - VERBOORT

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00 am

Friday: 8:30 am

Limit 50 per Satellite location, RSVP only till
Covid-19 subsides

CONFESSIONS: By appointment

NEW FAMILIES:

Kindly register by calling the
rectory

BAPTISMS: By appointment

MARRIAGES: By appointment
at least six months prior to
marriage

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	November	1	8:00 am	Maryldean Elizabeth Madeline Merwin † by The Parish
			10:00 am	People of the Parish
Monday	November	2	8:00 am	Souls in Purgatory by Sr. Clare Vandecoevering
Tuesday	November	3	8:00 am	Sr. Jean Marie VanDyke by Jim & Dorie Herinckx
Wednesday	November	4	No Mass	
Thursday	November	5	8:30 am	Paul Juenemann † by David & Beverly Schalk
Friday	November	6	8:30 am	Deacon Fredrick Schmit by Todd & Kristi Schmit
Saturday	November	7	8:00 am	First Saturday Mass in the Church
			5:00 pm	Jane VanDyke † by Rick & Cheryl Jacobson

Donations are still being processed/recorded as usual.
 You may mail contributions to:
 Visitation Church,
 4285 NW Visitation Rd.,
 Forest Grove, OR 97116.

Or go to the Visitation web-site: Verboort.org, click Parish, click giving, enter one-time, Amt, Payment Information, Billing information, click make payment.
 Thank you to all who have continued to give during this difficult time.

YOUR GIFT TO GOD

October 24th & 25th
 Envelopes & Checks: \$2,473.73
 Loose Collection: \$55.00
 Annual Dinner: \$115.00
 Peter's Pence: \$100.00
 World Mission: \$400.00

Weekend Masses For November 7th & 8th

Mass times	5:00 PM - Saturday	8:00 AM - Sunday	10:00 AM - Sunday
Reader	Lee LaBonte	Chris Wahlberg	Francis Duyck
EMHC—Host	Traci Nelson Donna Heesacker	Tammy Scheenstra Judy Verboort	Alex Funk Carol Funk
Server	Daniel Bochler	Katherine Nevis Michael Nevis	Charlie Funk
Music	Bethany Stewart Sarah Crosby		Kathy Juenemann Karen Jackson
Zoom Meeting	Anne Nevis Alex Stewart	Carl Carlson Anne Nevis	Nate Wessels



VISITATION SCHOOL NEWS

Scrip - Even though we can not sell Scrip after weekend masses, it is still available to purchase. Please email your order to scrip@vcsknights.org. We can arrange a pick up time or deliver your order to you! We have quick turnaround times and can usually have it ready within 1 day!

Washington DC Kids - Visitation 2022 DC Kids (and parents) are offering their time & talent to assist you in some small jobs. They are asking for a donation to their fundraising program for their DC trip. The following are some examples of services they can offer:

- Yard work: rake leaves, shovel snow, light yard work, pick up fruit/nuts
- Seasonal: Put up/take down Christmas lights, put up Christmas tree, haul away tree
- Housework: light housework, run errands, pick up groceries
- Babysitting, Wash car/Vacuum car, Pet walking
- Other reasonable jobs will be considered too!

If you would like to help support these students and their upcoming DC trip, please contact Carolanne Myers at 503-407-8743 or Genelle Duyck at 503-887-8878. Thank you!



Phase II Campaign: Cultivating Arts and Athletics for Community

We made our \$100,000 matching goal. On January 25-26, 2020, a private donor offered a matching fund and **6 MONTHS** later including COVID-19 current climate, we have \$104,398 out of the \$100,000 goal donated.

Currently \$676,545 has already been pledged and donated to create more opportunities for arts and athletics in our community. If you would like to donate, please visit www.vcsknights.org.

Please join me in imploring the help and seeking the intercession of our Blessed Mother and pray the Memorare:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
 that never was it known that anyone
 who fled to your protection, implored your help,
 or sought your intercession was left unaided.
 Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you,
 O Virgin of virgins, my Mother;
 to you I come; before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.
 O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions,
 But in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen





2020 Verboort Sausage & Kraut Dinner News

We Need You – Volunteers Needed to Help Pack Sausage November 2-6 – Additional Support Needed November 5 & 6 - In order to meet the demand from pre-sausage and kraut sales, we need **all hands on deck** to help pack sausage November 2-6. We'll start packing Monday morning around 10am and will continue packing through Thursday morning (or Friday) until we have all pre-orders packed. Even if you can only help for few hours or after work – we need you. We also need runners (deliver sausage to cars) to support our sales crew on Thursday (11am to 7pm) and Friday (10am – 7pm). Volunteers must wear mask and gloves. If you can help, please contact Dana Vandecoovering at 503-502-6444 or dana.vandecoovering@intel.com. Thank you in advance!

- Please order your kraut and baked goods at www.verboortsausagedinner.com
- Flyers available in the back of church.
- All Parish and School Families are asked to place their “\$25 dinner donation” in the collection (mark as dinner donation).

Verboort Dinner T-Shirts - The Verboort Sausage Dinner is swiftly approaching! You need an amazing shirt to wear to pick up your dinners-to-go! Click on the link to see our famous got kraut or copy and paste the link. The Parent Club fundraiser supports the school. Help support our kids!

https://www.customink.com/fundraising/verb-6182?pc=TXN-167780&utm_campaign=fr_organizer_email&utm_content=verb-6182&utm_medium=social&utm_source=copy-link

Baked Goods Drop Off - Thank you so much for all of your commitments. Your items have sold so fast!!! Drop off for your committed baked goods will be **November 4th from 7:30-11am** in the Parish Center. Please contact Lorrina if you need to make a separate arrangement for a day/time sooner. (503-341-0538).

Quilt Raffle - Please turn in your tickets. If you need more tickets, there are extra in the back of church and in the Parish Center. The quilt will be raffled off on Sunday, November 8th. Tickets need to be turned in by Thursday, November 5th. Please sell as many as you can.

Fancy Work Booth - No dinner booth but we are having a Fancy Work Sale on Saturday, December 5th, from 9am to 5pm across the street in the Herinckx garage. We need you to turn in your items so we can have a good selection for our guests. Safety measures will be in place.

November 7-8 Weekend Mass locations

Due to the 86th Annual Verboort Sausage Dinner, the satellite locations in the parish center is not available. Please check the bulletin or call Laura Nevis at 503-575-5608 or Donna Heesacker at 971-645-6839 for your placement (either the church, school gym, school cafeteria, or convent chapel). Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

November: Remembering our Beloved Deceased

November is the month that we are asked to do a Spiritual Work of Mercy and pray for our beloved deceased. Due to COVID-19 guidelines, we are unable to display our Book of Remembrance with the opportunity to inscribe the names of our beloved deceased.

However, Remembrance cards are available at the entrance of the church for you to take home, write the names of your beloved deceased and place them in a designated basket. The names will be placed at the foot of the altar so all Masses celebrated we will remember our beloved dead. Also, the names of those parishioners who have passed from November 2019 to October 2020 will be displayed in the sanctuary.

Please Pray for Larry Meeuwsen, Sylvia Vandehey, Diane Hunt, Genny Herinckx Evers, Linda Vandehey, Pat Hammond, Gerry Romjue, Geri Dreiling, Margaret Landauer, Ramona Hormann, Donna Compton, Herbert & Karen Bass, Travis Brunner, Robert Pranger, Paul Juenemann, Sally Duyck, Mary Lepschat, John Staneck, Dave Johnson, and Jim Spiering.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Thursday, November 26 Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:00am, if you and your family would like to attend, please contact Laura Nevis 503-575-5608 (cell) to sign up. It is first come, first serve to be in the church. The church and satellite locations will be open.

Prayers for Fr. Roberto and the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit

Prayer to implore Fr. Roberto's health through the intercession of Venerable Felix of Jesus Rougier:

Merciful Father, in your goodness, I confidently ask, through the intercession of Venerable Father Felix of Jesus Rougier, the complete recovery of Fr. Roberto Saldivar, Missionary of the Holy Spirit. Glorify your servant on earth so that all priests, religious men and women, and laity, inspired by his example, may be transformed into your son, Jesus Christ, Priest and Victim. May all be for the greater glory of the Most Holy Trinity, the holiness of your priestly people, and the building of your kingdom on earth. Amen.

Prayers for Bishop Steiner and his family

Bishop Steiner's sister, Maryldean Elizabeth Madeline Merwin, died October 27, 2020. Please keep the Steiner family in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all the souls of the faithfully departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Fall Back one hour. Daylight Savings Time Ends on Sunday, November 1st, 2 am.

From the Desk of Fr. Michael

Dear Parishioners,

The Pew Research Center reported a year ago in 2019 a statistic that showed that 65% of Americans identify themselves as Christians which is down 12% in just the last 10 years. However, those describing themselves as atheists, agnostics and “nothing in particular” (aka Nones) are now at 26% of the population, up 9%.

These are staggering declines which frankly, the past 7 months and counting of the pandemic is only adding to the strains for Catholic dioceses, parishes, schools and seminaries dealing with the decline of faith. For this reason, at an institutional level, the hot topic for Bishops, pastors, Catholic School superintendents and parish pastoral and finance/administrative councils have been focused upon addressing this.

And at a personal level, they occupy a great deal of the minds and hearts of parents, grandparents, godparents, spouses, siblings, sons, daughters and friends as they pray for their loved ones whose choices have helped establish those trends. Many are at a loss of knowing what to say. Many laments that their prayers and interventions do not seem to be bearing any fruit.

For this reason, as I have shared with many: the power of prayer can NEVER be discounted. Never lose heart in prayer. In fact, prayers for loved ones do work miracles. In my 15 years as a priest, I have witnessed the beautiful scene of the Good Thief recapitulate itself when people have asked me to come to the bedside of family members who have been away from God for decades and who have said they don't want to see a priest.

I am reminded by a brother priest of mine who is a convert to the faith. Even though his own parents were skeptical of his conversion and even his call to priesthood, he still responded to God's call. As a priest he prayed for his parents and he continued to live his vocation, allowing his priestly actions speak. His mother converted and a few years ago, his father finally converted and my own dad was his sponsor. Prayers do work!

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From the Desk of Fr. Michael (Continued)

Allow me to provide a few practical tips about praying for those who have chosen to stop, or drifted away from the practice of the faith or others who need prayers to take it up for the first time.

So that our prayer does not get reduced simply to prayer of petition, which can narrow our relationship with God, we should exercise all five different forms of prayer:

1. We should *praise and bless* God for how lovable and merciful He is.
2. We should *thank* Him for His saving will, patience, Fatherly solicitude, and for sending His Son and the Holy Spirit to make conversion possible.
3. We should *ask his forgiveness* for all those sins, ours and others.
4. We should make *petition* for ourselves, to grow in patience and hope as we pray perseveringly and seek to become an instrument of the Holy Spirit.
5. We should *make intercession* through the communion of saints for our lost sheep, that God will have mercy on them and perhaps send someone who can reach them at the depth God wants to and bring them home. Our intercession should be simple and straightforward: “Lord, the one that you love needs your help.”

As we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints this weekend, may we see the Pew Research Center data ultimately as a summons for the whole Church to pray more and with greater insistence. The Lord has given each of us plenty of people to pray for, so let us begin by invoking the intercession of the Communion of Saints.

All you holy men and women of God and Saints in heaven, *Pray for us!*

Blessings,

Fr. Michael

1 November 2020

Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8)

Next Meeting Sunday, November 15, 2020 at Visitation church 6:00-7:00pm. We will gather for a Spiritual Work of Mercy of praying for our beloved dead and All Saints Trivia Night. Live Streaming via Zoom meeting will be available for those who are interested in participating virtually.

H.S. Youth Group (grades 9-12)

Next Meeting Sunday, November 22, 2020 at Visitation church 6:00-7:00pm. We will gather for a Spiritual Work of Mercy of praying for our beloved dead and All Saints Trivia Night. Live Streaming via Zoom meeting will be available for those who are interested in participating virtually.

H.S. Confirmation (grades 9 and older)

Meets Sunday, November 1 from 6:00-7:00pm at Visitation church for Mass and Lesson on Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please contact Laura Nevis at 503-575-5608 or e-mail: lnevis@farthing.com.

RCIA

Meets on Sunday, November 1 from Noon to 1:00pm in the Visitation School Cafeteria. Fr. Michael will be presenting on "God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit."

Religious Education

Meets Monday, November 2nd from 4:00-5:00pm in the Convent.

USDA Food Box Program Update check www.archdpdx.org for updates

The Archdiocese of Portland has secured agreements with two new suppliers for Phase 3. Distribution sites will continue until October 31. Pacific Coast Food will be applying for Phase 4 so that we can continue this work of mercy program. Let us continue to support the most vulnerable in our community.

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Fr. Michael's Pick: The Saints by Dr. Scott Hahn. The month of November always begins with the celebration of the Communion of Saints, the Solemnity of All Saints. Dr. Scott Hahn covers the Biblical evidence on the Saints and provides answers to the various objections that Protestants make to the Catholic Faith. (Run Time: 70 minutes)

Live Streaming of Masses

The Archdiocese of Portland will continue to live stream the 11:00am Sunday Mass from The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception every week until the gathering restrictions have been lifted. Go to <https://archdpdx.org/live-masses>

St. Edward/St. Francis of Assisi/Visitation is live streaming the 10:00am Sunday Mass in Verboort every week. Download Zoom.us, enter Meeting ID: 993 4497 4746 Password: HolyMass

Meeting

Facilities Meeting on Tuesday, November 3rd, 6pm in the School Cafeteria.

Word Among Us

Copies of The Word Among Us, Daily meditations for November are available at the entrance of church to take home. Sponsored by the Visitation Altar Society.

Families Assigned to the Church for November 7th & 8th, 2020

Please notify us at churchsecretary@vesknights.org or call Donna or Laura if you are unable to attend.

The following families are scheduled for the Church for the weekend of November 7th & 8th (NEXT WEEKEND), please note that we are on approximately a 3 week schedule.

5:00 PM

Bochsler, Braukman (Allen), Ericson (Leah), Ericson (Bret), Ericson (Leah), Evans, Giesbers (Gilbert), Groce, Heesacker (Jim), Heesacker (Louann), LaBonte (Lee), Mills, Nelson, Peters (Paul), Peters (Terry), Schouweiler, Stadelman (Ben), Stadelman (Lyle), Stadelman (Michael), Stafford, Vanaken,

8:00 AM

Carlson, Duyck (Gary), Duyck (Justin), Ericson (Kelly), Herinckx (Richard), Lederbrand, Mullally, Scheenstra, Stadelman (Jason), Vandehey (Lani), Vandyke (Joe), VanDyke (Norman), Verboort (Larry), Walberg (Chris), Wahlberg (Mark), Wahlberg (Joanne)

10:00 AM

Cook, Duyck (Aaron James), Duyck (Andy), Duyck (Greg), Duyck (James), Eckler (Cheryl), Funk, Hering, Lizer-Zmudzinski, Tunnell, Vandehey (Don), Vanderzanden (Art), Wessels